



Strategic Plan

2024 - 2026



**BETHLEHEM
COLLEGE**

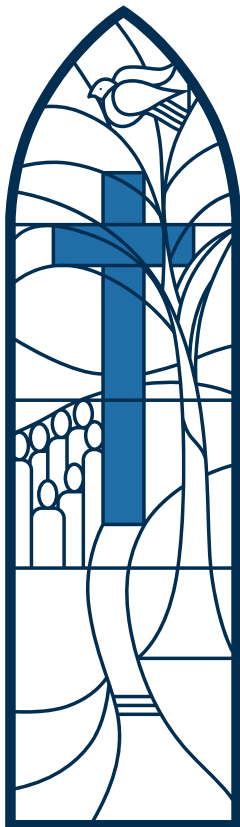
EXCELLENCE
through CHRIST

VISION

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MISSION

To provide biblically based, Christ-centred education equipping students for effective service and leadership.



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BIBLICALLY
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LIVING EXCELLENCE THROUGH CHRIST

Bethlehem College is a community of learners that values both academic rigour, which challenges and engages students, as well as opportunities to shape student character and values after the likeness of Christ. Excellence through Christ begins with the gospel of God's excellent work in this world, is seen in the grace and redemption of human failure, and most of all in love which mediates how we help students to learn. To reach these goals requires clarity about where we are going and how we are getting there. That is why the community needs to be united around strategies, planning, and evaluating how well we are doing towards our purpose.

The notion of nurturing young people holistically to develop hearts that are turned towards God is a worthwhile pursuit. With that aim in mind, the acquiring and imparting of knowledge, followed by deeper understanding, and finally wisdom, to apply and use that learning, define a Christian learning experience. Equipping students in this way is a combination of the continuous

encouragement of all the community, prayerfulness, modelling, and the activity of the Holy Spirit in the day-to-day teaching and learning, in and out of the classroom.

Teachers have a deep hope for every student in their learning journey, and students have deep spiritual longings which find purpose through the gospel vision for life. Our hope and confidence in Christ can be summed up in these words:

'We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God' (Colossians 1:9-10).



Shalom
Larne Edmeades
Principal

Strategic Priorities



NELP 1, 2, 3



NELP 1, 2, 3, 4



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Growth in
**Christian
Character**

COMMUNITY MANAAKITANGA

1.1

Foster a deeper commitment to community and personal spiritual formation.

1.2

Enhance structures, rhythms and procedures that support the holistic welfare of the staffing team.

1.3

Engage with the community through effective communication.

2.1

Implement more effective support for students who have reading and numeracy skills, below their chronological age.

2.2

To advance effective monitoring and evaluation (for improvement) across the College.

2.3

Foster closer relationships within the educational sector to increase opportunities to exchange ideas and grow.

NELP 1, 2, 3, 4



Growth in
Learning

HOLISTIC LEARNING AKO TOROWHĀNUI

3.1

Engage fully in the understanding and development of our Biblically Responsible Practice.

3.2

Implement the New Zealand Curriculum refresh.

3.3

Strengthen student services.

3.4

Develop and embed BC learning principles, based on beliefs, through the examination of evidence-based approaches to teaching, including the work of Hattie, Stobie, and Rosenshine.

NELP 1, 2, 3, 4

Growth in Teaching

STEWARDING KAITIAKI





4.1

Review the current undertaking and commitment to service and mission.

4.2

Rebuild a compelling vision for service and mission amongst the community of Bethlehem College.

4.3

Sustainably resource the leadership of this Strategic priority.

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Manaakitanga

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Ako torowhānui

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MISSION & SERVICE

**Growth In
Serving**

Whakarato

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